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14 DEAD IN HORRIBLE HUMAN HOLOCAUST

One Nun, Nine Children and Four Old Ladies Pefish in the Flames.

PRAISE HEROISM OF SISTERS

One Gave Her Life in Trying to Save Pupils. Two Others Perhaps Fatally Burned in Similar Efforts-Blaze Started in Old Ladies' Hospice and Was Soon Beyond Control.

(By Associated Press.)
MONTREAL April 21.—The little Cheap Guy Takes Advantage of New village of St. Genevieve is in mourn

ing tonight over the loss of fourteen lives in a fire which destroyed the convent of Ste. Anne's there early to

One nun, nine children, ranging is age from 10 to 18 years, and four old women perished in the flames, and two nuns were so severly burned that it is feared they will die.

In their grief over the catastrophe the villagers find some comfort relat ing to the heroism displayed by Sis er Marie Adjuteur, who gave up her life and Sisters Marie Therese and Ma rio Robertine, who were perhaps fatal ly burned in their efforts to save the lives of the children and helpless old women in their charge.

No Organized Fire Protection.

There is no organized fire protection in the village. The fire which started at an early hour in the mora ing was beyond centrol by the time the sleeping people could be aroused.

A bucket brigade was formed, but the efforts to check the flames were futile and the quaint old structure was reduced to ashes. Sisters Mario Therese and Marie Robertine were resened with difficulty from the hallway where they had fallen, overcome by the smoke and flashes

One of the first to reach the convent after the alarm was sounded was Al phonse Garand, who lives opposite the convent grounds. He had two daugh ters in the institution and his first thought was naturally for their safety. Secaring a ladder he raised it at one end of the building at a window of the do; mitory where he knew one of his children slept. When he smashed in the window a great volume of smoke ponred out. He rescued one girl and a minute later a second girl jumpe l from the adjoining window.

Compelled to Retreat.

Urged by Sister Marle Adjuteur, he ascended the ladder again and called out, but received no response. In another moment flames were pouring our of the window and he was compelled

'the fire started in the Old Lagies' hospice and the smoke was so thick that the children on the floor above were unable to get down. The con vent which was called Ste! Anne's, was a branch of the convent of the Sisters of St. Anne's of Lachine.

The building was a grey stone strucin character, and, with the church it formed a central feature of the pretty little village.

St. Genevieve is a village in the parish of Jacques Cartier county, on Riviere Des Prairies. It is three miles from Beaconsfield and five miles from Pointe Claire.

HAS UNEARTHED LOT OF GRAFTERS

Many Clerks on Payroll Who Were Per forming No Service in Return . For Salaries.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 21 -Fred 11 Wilson, acting superintendent and seven clerks of the Indian warehouse to New York, today were summarily dismissed from office by Secretary Hitchcock as the result of reve lations made by an inspection of the office by Indian Inspector Nester, who preferred charges of irregularities in the cenauct of the office, including Wilson's accounts, which were doctored in order to protect a number of employes who were not performing any service for the government. This Wilson was enabled to do because he was the disbursing agent for the warehouse.

payroll, while Inspector Nester asserts that four or five were all that were ne-cessary. Of those on the roll it is asserted that several were rendering no service whatever.

JEFFERSON IS WORSE.

Actor Unable to Take Nourishment and Grows Restless,

WEST PALM BEACH, FLLA., April 21 .- At 11 o'clock tonight Dr. Potter said that Joseph Jefferson's condition was less favorable. He seemed to be growing more restless. Dr. Potter will not see his patient before tomor row morning at 8 o'clock unless a decided change for the worse should take place. Mr. Jefferson has not been able to retain nourishment today and much uneasiness is felt by members of the family and friends who are at his

GETS MONEY BACK.

York Gambling Law.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, April 21.—One hund red dollars which he had bet on a horse in a race at Sheepshead Bay, in 1902. was returned to Harry Mendoza. of this city today, when the bookmaker paid the money to satisfy the judgment of the New York State Supreme Court against him.

"LID" LIFTING IN **SANTO DOMINGO**

Cruiser Tacoma Receives Rush Orders to Proceed to Island to Protect American Interests.

(By Associated Press. PENSACOLA, FLA., April 21-Rush orders for the cruiser Tacoma to proceed to Santo Domingo were received late this afternoon.

The vessel began to coal immediately, moving from the city down to the navy yard, where fuel and stores wertaken on board, and it is expected that she will get away before daylight.

It is said here that a number of warships have been ordered to Santo Domingo by the Italian government and, as trouble is anticipated, the Ta ceraa was ordered there to protet the interests of the United States citizens

BODIES TAKEN FROM THE MINE

No Change in List of Casualties Reported Yesterday-William Jacobs Will Recover.

(By Associated Press.) CHARLESTON, W. VA., April 21,--Al: the bottles were recovered from the Kayford mine of the Cabin Creek Mining Company today.

There is no change in the list of easualtics reported last night, except that William Jacobs, reported fatally injured, will recover. All the dead are from Greenup, Ky., and will be taken there tomorrow.

It is believed that an explosion of five kegs of powder ignited the dust in the mine, the powder probably having been set off by the regular evening shooting. The mine was not badly damaged and operations will be re suncd tomorrow.

Bishop Alfred A. Watson Dead.

(By Associated Press.)
WILMINGTON, N. C., April 21,-Right Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, 87 years old bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church of the East Carolina diocese, died at his home in this city at 3:25 p. m., today after an illness of two years following a stroke of paralysis. In May last year Rev. Robert Strange. D. D. of Richmond. Va., was elected as coadjutor to Bishop Watson and now he succeeds to all of the duties of the office of bishop.

Suit Against Two Railroads.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA. April 21.-Suits were instituted in the United States Court here today by United States Attorney J. N. Stripling against the Seaboard Air Line Rallway and Atlantic Coast Line for failure to comply with the safety appliance act of Congress.

To Re-Equip Panama Rallway.

WASHINGTON, D. C. April 21. session of the executive committee of the Panama Canal Commission was held today to consider contracts for the complete re-equipment of the Pana-There were fourteen persons on the ma Railway.

WILL TESTIFY FOR "FLORADORA" GIRL

Chicago Man Who Saw the Cab France and Russia Both Agree Tragedy Offers to go to New York.

Declares That Nan Patterson Was Try- Important Developments Follow Proing to Hold Young's Hand, But Latter Succeeded in Freeing Himself and Getting Out Revolver-Woman Then Seemed to Faint.

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, April 21.—Samuel Eisen berg, the Russian Jewish coat maker. who has told of seeing a man kill himsolf while in a cab with a woman June 24 1901, on West Broadway, New York, expressed willingness today to so to New York and testify on the wit. ness stand in the case of Nan Patterson.

"The cab in which Young and Nan Patterson sat. passed within five feet of me." said Eisenberg. Man Appeared to Be Drunk

"The man appeared drunk and he appeared to be fighting with the woman. She was clinging tightly to his hands. The cab was moving very slowly and the woman said something to the driver as if to tell him to go faster. He cracked his whip and then went faster.

"Suddenly the man got his hands free and pulled a revolver from his pocket. His hand went up and down and then the shot rang out. The man feil over on the woman's lap. The woman seemed to faint, her head falling on the man's shoulder.

NAN ROOMS WITH MRS. J M. SMITH

New Arrangement Made by Warden Flynn of the Tombs-Investigating Story of Samuel Eisenberg.

By Associated Press.) NEW YORK April 21.-Nan Patterson will hereafter occupy a ceil with her sister. Mrs. J. Morgan Smith. This arrangement was made teday by Warden Flynn, of the Tombs. The cell is in the new hespital ward in the woman's section. The two wemen will occupy this cell so long as no iliness breaks cut among the women inmates of the prison.

Today being Good Friday they nttended service in the Presbyterian chapel. After services Miss Patterson's counsel and her father called.

Looking Into Man's Story. Lawyer Abraham Levy, counsel for

Nan Patterson, telegraphed today to a Chicago lawyer to secure in detail the story of Samuel Eisenberg, who says he saw Caesar Young kill himself.

Mr. Levy was informed in reply that Eisenberg told a convincing story and was willing to come to New York to testify to it.

Mr. Levy said it tallied with that told by the witness, Hazelton of Oncouta, N. Y., who testified for the defense in Nan Patterson's last trial

"The man does not speak English." said Mr. Levy, "and I do not know how he would stand under the fire of cross-examination, but his story impresses me."

TO KINGDOM COME on fast freight

Two Unknown Tramps Killed in Louislana Rallway Wreck-None of the Trainmen Hurt.

(By Associated Press.) SHREVEPORT, LA. April 21.-A last freight on the Vicksburg. Shreveport & Pacific Railway, which left here tonight east bound, was wrecked near Heighton, thirty miles from this city.

Two unknown tramps, one of white and the other a negro, were killed, None of the trainmen was injured. The cause of the wreck has not been ascertained.

Greek Letter Frats in Session. RICHMOND, VA. April 21,-The Kappa Delta fraternity is in session here. A banquet tomorrow will close the meeting.

MR. ROJESTVENSKY. IT IS YOUR MOVE

That Squadron Must Leave Kamranh Bay.

CAB PASSED WITHIN FIVE FLET ORDERS SENT TO THE ADMIRAL

test of the Japanese Ambassador to M. Deleasse-French Government Thinks Its Assurances Should Calm the People of the Island Empire.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS. April 21 .-- As a result of communications between the governmente at Paris and St. Petersburg the Russian government has forwarded urgent orders to Admiral Rojestvensky to rigorously respect the neutrality of French waters. This is a precau tionary measure.

In addition special instructions have been sent to the governor general of Indo-China, M. Beau, and Foreign Minister Delcasse has instructed the French minister at Tokio to give the Jananese minister for foreign affairs assurances that it is France's purpose to preserve strict neutrality, these be-ing similar to the assurances given to Dr. Monoto, the Japanese minister at Paris

Should Calm the Japs.

According to the official view the foregoing steps should exercise a distinetly calming influence upon Japan eisthey show that France directly, and through Russia, has adopted all available means to insure respect of the neutrality of French waters. The of ficials say that the only additional measure open is the use of French warships to employ force in expelling Rojestvensky's squadron. Such a course, however, is said to be impossible, ewing to the small number of French ships in Indo-Chinese waters,

Dr. Meneto, in the course of an interview, said his request was that France observe neutrality by adopting all the necessary measures for preventing Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron from remaining any longer in French terri torial waters at Kamranh Pay. minister added that the Russian ships are quite inside French waters and not

outside of them. Question Takes Front Rack.

Japan's representation has had the effect of bringing the Franco-Japanese incident to the front rank of public at tention. The leading newspapers here adopt the government view that Foreign Minister Dolcasse's assurances should calm the situation.

The Temps says the instructions sent to Governor General Beau require him to report the exact location of Rojestvensky's ships, whether they limit. M. Been's reply has not yet been recived.

BURDEN OF PROOF IS ON FRENCH

Japs Say Evidence of Violated Neutrality is in Hands of Russia's Ally and is Conclusive.

TOKIO, April 21 .- 4 p. m .- The Japanese government continues to maintain silence regarding the Kamranh say incident and it is understood that the diplomatic correspondence on the subject is not concluded. It is expect ed that France will formally investigate the situation at Kamranh Bay, In the meantime the party leaders here are counselling the Japanese press to use greater moderation and calmness and to await the outcome of the negotlations.

The assertions in the Paris press that proofs of the presence of vessels of the Russian s-puadron in Kamranh Bay and of a violation of French neutrality are lacking are sharply contradicted by the Japanese. who assert that the evidence on the subject is con clusive. They say that, after all the juestion of proof rests with France who possesses the evidence and whose neutrality has been violated.

Premier Katsura, and Foreign Minis-ter Komma were received in audience by the emperor of Japan today.

Coaling at Hainan. LONDON, April 22.-The Tokio correspondent of the Dally Mail tele crowd present.

graphs a report emanating from Pekin that a portion of the Russian second Pacific squadron is coaling at Hainan an island southeast of Lonquin Bay.

Activity in China Squadron. HONG KONG, April 21.—There is netlecable activity among the vessels of the British China squadron. armored cruiser Hogue has been ordered to be in readiness to proceed to sea at two hours' notice with full steam up

Eastward Movement Stops.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 22 .- A dispatch from Gutziatzy states that the Japanese movement eastward come to a standstill on a line extending through Pachatzu. Tuaugu and Ufantu while fresh Russian reinforceneents are arriving daily.

REMAIN OUTSIDE THREE-MILE LIMIT

Russians Declare That Rojestvensky Will Pursue That Course if Ha Waits For Nebogatoff's Ships.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PETERSBURG April 21.-The following statement on the subject of Kamranh Ray was made today:

"If Rojestvensky is still at Kamranh Bay or contemplates remaining there until Nebogatoff's ships arrive he will remain outside the three-mile limit, as he did during his long stay off Madagascar. Naturally Japan will flie a caveat, just as she would file one with the United States if Rojestvensky should approach the Philippines. Ja pan's protest is in the nature of a warning. The facts yet remain to be established."

Reports are current here that the Russian Second Pacific squadron has already left Kamranh Bay and is on the way to Vladivostok, but the government will proceed with action on the Japanese protest, as if the squadron had not continued its voyage.

M. DELCASSE TO GO OUT OF OFFICE

French Minister For Foreign Affairs Tenders Resignation After Eight Years of Netable Service.

(By Associated Press.) ' PARIS, April 21.-After a notable service of nearly eight years in the direction of foreign affairs. Theophile Deleasse today informed President of the Council Rouvier of his desire and intention to resign.

This announcement came as a sur prise and shock to M. Deleasse's colleagues of the cabinet, who immediate ly took steps to endeavor to secure a reconsideration of his determination.

The motives leading up to M. Delcasse's sudden determination to retire from the cabinet are primarily attributed to internal controversies over the Moroccan question, and this, to some extent, has been accentuated by similar controversies over French neutral-Ify in the far east. The members of the opposition have been quick to scize upon both questions, and headen by Socialists and Nationalists, have directed their criticisms against M. Del-

As a German Triumph.

It is felt that his retirement would he halled in Germany as a German triumph and this is one of the main considerations leading government reprecentatives to carnestly appeal to M. Deleasse to remain in the foreign of-

The announcement concerning M Deleasee's Intention is to resign was but one of many incidents in a day of much anxiety throughout government quarters. Following close on the heels of the complications with Germany over Morocco, the Franco-Japanese in cident suddenly assumed serious proportions, and unusual energy was shown in preventing its embroiling Prance in complications in the far eas:

Probably the most significant developinent from the energetic measures adopted was the receipt of a dispatch from Saigon saying that imperative or ders had been given for the disarma ment of the Russian cruiser Diana.

Herrera Beats Tommy Daly. (By Associated Pres BALTIMORE, MD., April 21 .-- After

me of the cleanest fights seen in this city in many a day. Aurelia Herrera was given the decision over Tommy Daly and Referce O'Hara at the end of the fifteen rounds to which the match was limited. Both fighters did splendld work, but the decision seemed a just one to most of the moderate

RECEIVER WANTED FOR THE EQUITABLE

Alexander and Hyde Charged With Mismanagement of Society's Affairs.

A WINDY CITY DEVELOPMENT

Chicago Man Who Holds \$22,000 Policy With Company Asks For An Accounting-Wants Distribution of Funds and Profits on Hand-Action Taken in United States Court.

(By Associated Press.) CHICAGO II.L. April 21.—A bill for the appointment of a receiver for the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States and seeking an accounting was filed in the United States Circuit Court here today by Attorney D. J. Schuyler. The petition is filed in the name of Abraham Sitron and other policyhelders in the society. Sitron says he holds a \$22,000 policy in the society and that his interests are being dissipated by the officers and IIrectors of the society. He names speefficulty President J. W. Alexander and Vice-President James H. Hyde.

Violated Charter and State Laws.

in the bill President Alexander and Vice-President Hyde are charged with misappropriation of funds and mismanagement

The bill also declares that for ten years the State charter of the company and the laws of New York have, been violated masmitch as the odicials have failed to distribute the profits of the company among the policyholders.

Atterney Schuyler who filed the bill said that the complainants had held a meeting and decided to take the matter into the federal court. It is their wish. he said, to have a receiver appointed and the affairs of the society ended. so that the policyholders may have a just distribution of the funds and profits now on hand.

In Court in Few Days.

No further steps than the request in the bill have been taken for the appointment of a receiver, but Attorney Schuyler said that within a few days he will go into court in that connec-

NO ANIMOSITY AGAINST HYDE

Agents Simply Want Mutualization or Some Other Remedy to Relieve Embarrassing Situation.

(By Associated Press SYRACUSE, N. Y., April 21.-Preferrably mutualization, the turning over of substantial control to the polleyholders, or some other remedy to relieve the embarrassing situation in the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, was the burden of the request made of Superintendent of Inance Francis Hendricks by the cemmittee of general agents, who laid their

wishes before him here today. No Personal Animosity.

Joseph Bowes, of Baltiomre, who was spokesman of the committee told Superintendent Hendricks that the agents favored the mutual plan. "There is no animosity among the agents against Mr. Hyde," he said, "but a change must be made to deprive him of the immense power he wields."

Superintendent Hendricks in reply said that be had expressed himself clearly in favor of mutualization, and that he was sure relief could be obtained by legislation. In closing Mr. Hendricks said:

Will Discover Dummies.

"And I will tell you too, that before I got through with this company I will find out who are dummies. I will find that cut absolutely. You can rely on this. When we get done we will tell you the true condition of the society."

Bricklayer Killed by Fellow Workman.

HOT SPRINGS, ARK. April 21 .- J. T. Cavanaugh, a bricklayer, fired five saots from a revolver at a group of brick masons here today. John Madigan, of Clinton, Mass., was instantly killed. In a scramble for safety several other laborers were severely hurt. The trouble arose over differences in the local Bricklayers' Union.